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1. ON 29 MARCH 64 JUSCELINO KUBITSCHK DE OLIVEIRA VISITED  
MINISTER OF WAR GENERAL JAIR DANTAS RIBEIRO AT THE HOSPITAL DOS  
SERVIDORES DO ESTADO IN RIO DE JANEIRO. KUBITSCHK TOLD RIBEIRO  
THAT THE RECENT EVENTS SURROUNDING THE MUTINY AT THE NAVY  
MINISTRY HAD NOW CONVINCED HIM ONCE AND FOR ALL THAT PRESIDENT  
JOAO GOULART HAD GIVEN IN COMPLETELY TO THE LEFTISTS AND  
COMMUNISTS AND THAT GOULART "WILL NOT TURN BACK." KUBITSCHK  
SAID THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL THEREFORE THAT RIBEIRO REMAIN AS  
MINISTER OF WAR SINCE WITH RIBEIRO OUT OF THE WAY GOULART "WOULD  
HAVE A FREE HAND." KUBITSCHK SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD OF

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MINISTER OF JUSTICE ABELARDO JUREMA'S SUGGESTION THAT RIBEIRO APPOINT AN "INTERIM MINISTER." (FIELD COMMENT SEE [REDACTED] (TDCS-3/577,192) .) KUBITSCHK SAID THAT JUREMA "HAS JOINED GOULART AND THE LEFTISTS ONE HUNDRED PERCENT" (FIELD COMMENT: JUREMA WAS CONSIDERED A \* "KUBITSCHK IMPOLED RIBEIRO TO REFUSE TO APPOINT AN INTERIM MINISTER AND TO INSIST ON REMAINING AS MINISTER OF WAR.

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2. RIBEIRO SAID THAT HE HAD NOT YET COMPLETED AN ANALYSIS OF THE RECENT EVENTS BUT THAT SO FAR HE DIDN'T LIKE WHAT HE SAW. HE SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION IT APPEARS THAT GOULART IS REACHING THE POINT OF RESORTING TO ILLEGAL ACTION AND "IF THE PRESIDENT ATTEMPTS AN ILLEGAL ACTION, I WILL SEE THAT HE IS OUSTED." RIBEIRO SAID THAT IN ANY CASE, HE WOULD REMAIN AS MINISTER OF WAR" UNTIL I AM ORDERED TO LEAVE. I WILL NOT AGREE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM MINISTER."

3. RIBEIRO THEN DISCUSSED AN INCREASE IN PAY FOR THE MILITARY. HE SAID THAT KUBITSCHK SHOULD TELL CONGRESS TO VOTE AN INCREASE IN PAY AT ONCE SINCE GOULART IS USING THIS FAILURE OF CONGRESS TO VOTE A PAY INCREASE AS A TRUMPCARD. "GOULART WILL AUTHORIZE A PAY INCREASE AND CONGRESS WILL LOOSE FACE IN THE EYES OF THE ARMY." RIBEIRO SAID THAT CONGRESS SHOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT WHERE THE MONEY WILL COME FROM SINCE" GOULART CERTAINLY DOESN'T."

4. RIBEIRO AND KUBITSCHK ALSO DISCUSSED THE AMNESTY FOR

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THE SERGEANTS INVOLVED IN THE BRASILIA REVOLT. KUBITSCHKEK SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD WELL HOW RIBEIRO FELT ABOUT THIS (FIELD COMMENT: RIBEIRO HAS STEADFASTLY OPPOSED AN AMNESTY FOR THE SERGEANTS.) BUT THAT "GOULART IS MAKING CONGRESS LOOK LIKE AN ENEMY OF THE SERGEANTS." KUBITSCHKEK SAID THAT CONGRESS SHOULD PASS THE AMNESTY PROPOSAL AT ONCE AND THEREBY TAKE THE WIND OUT OF GOULART'S SAILS. RIBEIRO SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE POLITICAL REASONING AND ACCEPTED IT; HOWEVER AS HE SAID THAT AS A MILITARY MAN, HE COULD NOT GO ALONG WITH THE PROPOSAL.

5. FIELD DISSEM:STATE ARMY NAVY AIR FBI CINCSO CINCLANT.

6. \*HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: PORTION BEING SERVICED. MISSING PORTION WILL BE DISSEMINATED ONLY IF IT MATERIALLY AFFECTS THE SENSE OF THIS REPORT.

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